(b) what are the allocations of seed made by the National Seeds Corporation to Uttar Pradesh; and

(c) whether Government are aware of the difficulties in the distribution of seed in the absence of a uniform price?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR): (a) Yes, Sir. Keeping, however, in view the past trends and the feasibility of levels of consumption, the Government of India have allocated 8 lakh tonnes of fertilisers nutrients for the State for the current Kharif season with an assurance to the State that if requirement exceeds the above allocation, more fertilisers shall be made available to them to meet their complete demand for Kharif, 1985.

(b) The National Seeds Corporation has allocated the following seeds for distribution in Uttar Pradesh during Kharif 1985 season:

	In quintals
(1) Paddy	25,000
(2) Maize	1,000
(3) Jowar	948
(4) Bajra	4,650
(5) Urd	3,000
(6) Moong	3,000
(7) Arhar	500
(8) Groundnut	600
(9) Sunflower	250
TOTAL:	38,948

(c) The price for different seeds marketed by the National Seeds Corporation are uniform throughout the country. In cases where sale prices are fixed lower than National Seeds Corporation by the State Government, National Seeds Corporation also consider to lower the sale prices on par with State Government, so that distribution of seeds is not affected

Setting up of Directorate for Cattle Improvement

2157. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government consideration for setting up a Directorate of Cattle Improvement during the Seventh Five Year Plan by the Agro-Research Council, if so, the details thereof and the allocation proposed therefor; and

(b) what additional research programmes are stipulated to be taken up during the Seventh Five Year Plan for cattle improvement?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Project Directorate is proposed to be located at National Dairy Research Institute and will cover four All India Coordinated Research Projects viz., (i) Genetic studies on Jersey Cross-breds utilising the facilities of the 4 units of the currently operating All India Coordinated Research Project on Cattle. (ii) Genetic studies on Holstein crossbreds utilising four Military farms; (iii) Genetic studies on the performance of important indigenous breeds of cattle and their improvement through selection and (iv) Standardization of field recording of performance data and their utilization in progeny testing of bulls. Indian Council of Agricultural Research share of the allocation proposed is Rs. 400.00 lakhs.